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About time for the Columbia Southern to make its regular semi-annual announcement of its extension into Crook county.

Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, founder of Christian Science, in a recent interview denied the existence of disease germs. Maybe so, but if one should happen to get hold of her veriform appendix day after tomorrow she might possibly imagine the trouble was in some other place than Servia.

The Journal has lately received considerable literature concerning the whys and wherefores of the receding Equitable Life Insurance squabble. This literature emanated from the New York office or from an alley way hard by and is elaborate in its intricate exposition of the "insipid trouble" resulting from an effort on the part of some of the company's officers to hog all of the proceeds which the public has been pouring into its coffers. We were about to go into a discussion of the matter when we were informed that the head of the directorate board. That in itself is sufficient. Paul and his brother are in the salt business in Chicago, and Paul will probably use some of the saline crystals to good advantage on the tail of the Equitable's white elephant.

Frank G. Bigelow, the defaulting bank president of Milwaukee, has been sentenced to ten years imprisonment for his recent peculations amounting to \$1,500,000. Fourteen counts were brought against him, but all save one of these were stricken out. Under good behavior the sentence hanging over him will be reduced to a period slightly exceeding six years, and his punishment will consist of the arduous task of keeping books. With proper pressure, which no doubt will be brought to bear, he will probably be pardoned in the course of a year or two, after the public has had an opportunity to forget slightly the gross theft perpetrated upon innocent beings. Jean Val Jean was cursed by the law all his life for stealing a loaf of bread, and many another man—very likely some of those prison comrades of Bigelow himself—suffers tenfold more in proportion to his crime than the gentleman from Milwaukee. All of which reminds one of the lines:

A little stealing is a dangerous part,  
But stealing largely is a noble art.  
'Tis mean to rob a hen roost or a hen,  
But stealing thousands makes us gentlemen.

The Portland Journal evidently feels all swelled up. It has a \$40,000 libel suit on its hands. C. E. Rumelin, member of the city council who has been acquitted of the charge of accepting a bribe in connection with the telephone franchise through his attorney, C. E. S. Wood, has filed charges of malicious and libelous publication on the part of the Journal and considers his reputation injured \$40,000 worth. Now watch Mr. Rumelin get a whole lot of expensive legal experience and none of the Journal's shekels. The courts are not in the habit of muzzling the press upon every petty protest in these United States. The Court of Appeals in *Ex parte* *Young* said:

Russia. The American press, owing to its enterprise and aggressiveness, may, like individuals, sometimes make mistakes, but is invariably fair and reasonable enough to make the proper amends if convinced of its error. The local newspaper of today is the friend and upbuilder of the clean people everywhere. The reputable citizen has nothing to fear at the hands of the press. On the contrary, the present day newspapers aid and protect the reputable community. It is only evil-doers and law breakers that need fear the sayings and influences of the press. They and they alone are the ones who gain

the injurious protection of the ridiculous libel laws that mar the statute books of a few of the states and hamper the press in its efforts to secure justice and fair treatment for all classes of people.—Roseburg Plaindealer.

The following is from Maxwell's *Talisman*, a paper devoted to land questions, and certainly is a peculiar and interesting view of an important question:

The biggest of the land frauds, involving the highest public officials in some of the western states, and untold acres of land, would form after all but a passing nine day's wonder with the busy populace were it not for the fact that their ramifications are so extensive that as fast as one set of men is indicted the investigations of the government brings forth another brood of frauds.

The government land frauds of the west is a question, however, of far deeper significance than the mere matter of the illegal acquisition of land. It is a question of the private individuals, corporations or public officials. The question is, will the present prosecution affect the system. Not one iota. The cases being pushed are those in which the government sleuths think there is a possibility of obtaining conviction. The great mass and majority of equally great frauds will never be heard from outside their immediate localities. The reason for this is that such frauds have been legal—frauds committed entirely within the law.

But how can a land fraud be legal? An instance: The legislature of Georgia granted some three million acres of land to certain syndicates. The grant became a law. Subsequently it was discovered that all the members of the legislature who voted for the grant were members of the various syndicates which secured the land; but the title nevertheless was declared good. This was legalized fraud. So in the west. The timber and stone law, the desert land law and the commutation clause of the homestead law are in themselves and the regulations under which they are administered, fraud laws, and while their letter may be observed their spirit can be violated and the men who receive government patents under them in the great majority of cases have no right in equity to the land. It is a question whether, taken as a whole, five per cent of the timber and stone entries are actual bona fide claims in which

the entrymen carries on his part of the contract in strict compliance with the spirit of the timber and stone act. The desert act and the commutation clause are not so universally fraudulent in their operation, but the vast preponderance of claims under them are to a more or less extent frauds and do not in any full sense comply with the spirit of these laws, which requires settlement and home making.

So that even should the government be able to make out its cases, and fine and imprison every man indicted for land frauds, the great bulk of fraudulent land dealings would continue exactly the same. The activities of the department will simply make land and timber men careful to evade the laws and not criminally violate them. The laws themselves must be revised if honestly is to be expected in land matters.

## Additional Locals

T. M. Baldwin is in Portland on a business trip.

Walter Knox was a business visitor from Post during the past week.

Ice cream and strawberries. Tomorrow evening. Belknap's hall.

Joe Larsen was in town yesterday from the Lone Pine Trading company's store at Forest.

Nate Wurzwiler returned today from Portland where he is attending the Hill Military Academy. He was called on business matters.

Charlie Lytle's new house, which he is building just east of the Presbyterian church, is rapidly nearing completion.

Rev. J. M. Mansfield and wife and Mrs. Ross, of Mitchell, were in the city last week enroute to Silver Lake where they will visit relatives.

B. S. Cook and a party of 14 homeseekers left Shaniko Tuesday for the new townsite of Redmond, south of Forest, where they will locate on land.

Mrs. L. N. Liggett and Miss Ethel Liggett expect to leave about the first of the month for North Yakima, Wash., to spend several weeks visiting with relatives. They will also attend the Portland exposition while away.

Dr. Rosenberg and wife will leave about the first of July for the Portland exposition. The doctor goes at that time to be in attendance at the national convention of physicians and surgeons which will be held in Portland the first week of next month.

Jake Stroud, of Lamonta, came in Monday and has taken charge of the Hamilton stables. The latter were purchased in connection with the Bend-Silver Lake Stage line, of which J. Frank Stroud is now owner and manager.

Mrs. E. L. Bradford was in the city this week from Haystack.

H. R. Lamb leaves tomorrow for Portland on a business trip.

Horace Dillard and family, of Burns, are in the city, the guests of relatives. Mr. Dillard, who has been principal of the Burns public school for several years, is on his way to the Willamette valley where he and his family will make their future home.

Madras is preparing to give the ball team a good time next Saturday evening and arrangements have been made for a big dance. Word was telephoned in yesterday afternoon that the town would overdo itself in entertaining the Prineville visitors.

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R. B. Mutzig, of the firm of Mutzig & Becker of Bend, was in the city yesterday on his way home from Portland. Mr. Mutzig said the travel to the interior was growing heavy again, a party of 14 having left Shaniko Tuesday night for Crook county, going to Bend by the way of Forest.

Rev. J. H. Howard and brother, Mark Howard, returned this week from Bear creek where they had been on a mining expedition. Years ago Rev. Howard found a large deposit of tin in the vicinity and the party was there this week endeavoring to again find its location, but were unsuccessful. Wm. Milliron was out with them helping in the search.

Engineers who will look over the land of the proposed McKay irrigation project north of the city, make the preliminary surveys and decide upon the feasibility of the scheme, are expected to arrive here from the east inside of the next two weeks. W. E. Guerin, Jr., who went back to New York City in the interest of the undertaking, said last Sunday that the men who had expressed their willingness to give the enterprise financial backing had decided to send competent engineers to ascertain the cost and merits of the proposed irrigation system and the early reclamation of the tract will depend upon their reports.

A miniature whirlwind, which formed some little distance down the Ochoco, swept through the center of the city at noon today gathering up every loose small article in its path. It crossed through the court house yard striking at the rear of the Wm. Wigle residence where it had reached the height of its lifting power. A hay rack standing in the barn yard was lifted above the barn and descended on the roof, shattering the shingles where it struck. The whirl of wind did no other damage aside from littering the streets with rubbish and finally wasted

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### Notice to Creditors

In the matter of the estate of Elijah M. Barnett, deceased.  
Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said deceased, to present the same to the undersigned administrator of said estate at the office of M. R. Elliott in Prineville, Oregon, with the proper vouchers, within six months from the first publication of this notice. Dated this 16th day of March, 1905.  
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A Large Platform will be provided for those who wish to partake in dancing. **GOOD MUSIC WILL BE FURNISHED.** Supper, for the dance, will be furnished at all hours during the night. Those who will act as Managers of the Floor are: Frank Elkins, of Madras, W. F. King, of Prineville, J. S. McMeen, of Lamonta, Austin Culp, of Culver, and Stanton Black, of Ashwood.

**Celebrate the Fourth at Grizzly**

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## Announcement

Frank Foster has purchased the interest of J. E. Calavan in The Bazaar, but the change in the firm makes no difference in bargains to be had. Our stock of goods is constantly increasing and we can offer to the public better goods at better prices than any place in the city.

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